18. Vocational Training in Tribal Areas.

19. Education Complex in Low Literacy pockets for ST girls in tribal areas.

III. *Other backward classes and minorities Development*

20. National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation.

21. Scheme of Pre-Examination Coaching for Weaker Sections based on Economic Criteria (with focus on coaching Minorities and Socially and educationally Backward classes candidates).

22. National Minorities Development & Finance Corporation.

IV. *Handicapped Welfare:*

23. Assistance to Organisations for the Disabled Persons.

24. Assistance to Disabled Persons for purchase/Fitting of Aids and appliances.

25. Employment of Handicapped.

26. District/Rehabilitation Centres.

27. Scholarships to Physically Handicapped.

V. *Social Defence:*

28. Prevention & Control of Juvenile Social Maladjustment.

29. Grant-in-aid to voluntary organisations in the field of Social Welfare.

30. Scheme for the Welfare of the Aged-Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations.

31. Scheme for Welfare of Stree Children-Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations.

Reservation of seats

1938. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether reservation of seats at school level, college level and at Higher Education level has been made for people of some categories;

(b) if so, the details thereof levelwise with formalities required to avail of such facility;

(c) whether reservation of seats in jobs and during departmental promotion has been made for people of some categories;

(d) if so, the details thereof separately during initial recruitment and departmental promotion with formalities required to avail of such facility;

(e) whether Government propose to reserve some seats in academic and recruitment fields for people belonging to minorities communities; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) and (b) In the universities, college, technical education institutions and Kendriya Vidyalayas, according to the existing instructions, 15 per cent of seats are to be reserved for students belonging to scheduled castes and 7.5 percent to those belonging to scheduled tribes. In Navodaya Vidyalayas, reservation for scheduled castes and scheduled tribes in admission is provided in proportion to their population in the concerned districts subject to the minimum of national average of 15 percent and 7.5 percent respectively. All such candidates are required to submit SC/ST certificates in support of their claim.

(c) and d). The reservation for SCs|STs have been provided in all categories of posts, namely, A, B, C & D Groups filled up by open competition through UPSC, SSC or by any other authorities. Apart from direct recruitment, reservations have also been provided in promotion in all categories of posts upto the lowest rung of Group A. The Supreme Court in its decision dated 16th November, 1996 in the Indira Sawhney and others Vs Union of India and others case basis inter alia, ruled that there should be no reservation in promotion but allowed the existing facilities in regard to reservation in promotion to continue for a period of 5 years i.e. upto 15th November, 1997.

(e) and (f) There is no proposal under consideration of government to reserve seats in academic and recruitment fields separately for people belonging to minority communities. However, sections of minorities categorised as CBCs in the lists included both in the lists of Mandal Commission Report as well as the State Government lists and, therefore, figuring in the Central List of OBCs, are entitled to reservation in civil services and posts under the Government of India on par with the OBCs. There is at present no reservation for OBCs for admission to educational institutions.

Misuse of funds by voluntary organisaions

1939. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the voluntary organisation against which Government have received complaints about the misuse of funds during the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU):